

REMARKS

The Examiner's attention to the present application is noted with appreciation.

The Examiner rejected claims 1-5, 8-10, 12-21, 24-29, 37-49, 55-59, and 61-64 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Wilson. The Examiner also rejected claims 11, 22, 23, 30-36, 50-54, and 60 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wilson in view of other references. The Examiner also rejected claims 1-7, 37, 38, 56, and 57 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Keefer. The rejections are respectfully traversed. The present claims clearly require a dual head pump comprising a primary feed head and a secondary retentate head. None of the art cited discloses such a pump. The pump of Wilson does not disclose two heads, one of which is a feed head and one of which is a retentate head. Rather, Wilson discloses two heads connected in parallel, the front and rear faces of *each head* comprising different swept volumes (col. 3, lines 8-35, and col. 2 lines 6-15 of 4,124,488). That is, the two heads disclosed by Wilson are not a feed head and a retentate head. Each of Wilson's heads serves the same purpose as the other head; it is the front and rear *faces* of each of Wilson's heads which comprise different swept volumes. Similarly, Keefer discloses only a single head, the front and rear *faces* of which comprise different swept volumes. (Although it looks like a pump head, **15** is actually a differential surge absorber.) Thus none of the cited references can anticipate since they do not disclose each and every claimed element.

Applicant therefore submits that the present application is in condition for allowance. Applicant notes that this paper is being filed on December 12, 2006, within two months of the date of the referenced Final Office Action. Applicant therefore respectfully requests the issuance of an Advisory Action allowing the present application per MPEP Section 706.07(f)(D)(1). If any issues remain the Examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned agent for Applicant at the telephone number listed below. Authorization is given to charge payment of any fees required to Deposit Acct. 13-4213.

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